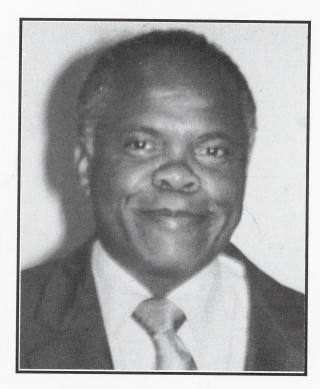
Celebration of Homegoing Service In Loving Memory



ELDER MARION HICKS

Born: January 13, 1923 Departed: November 23, 1991

Services Friday, November 29, 1991 11:00 a.m.

Cleaver Memorial Church of God In Christ 451 Baker Street San Francisco, California

Officiant:
Bishop B. R. Stewart
Jurisdictional Bishop
Northern California First Jurisdiction
Church of God In Christ

Obituary

Marion Hicks was born January 13, 1923 in Cedar Grove, Louisiana to Matthew Hicks and Panilla Brooks-Hicks. He received his early education in Rayville, Louisiana where the family later relocated. He received Christ early in life, and at the age of 19, he enlisted in the U.S. Army. He faithfully served his country from August 10, 1942 until December 22, 1942. He was a brave soldier who never gave up, and received an honorable discharge. In 1943, the family moved to California and united with Webster Street Church of God in Christ under the pastorship of Bishop L. E. Cleaver.

He journeyed to Emerson Arkansas where he met and married Bertha Lee Doss, on June 27, 1944. He returned to California with his bride, where they began their family and life together. To this union five children were born.

Rev. Hicks accepted any challenge presented and served to the best of his ability. He served as Jr. Pastor of Little Chapel Church of God in Christ, which the church was later named, in addition to serving as Sunday School Superintendent of the San Francisco District, member of the Ordination Board of the Northern California 1st Jurisdiction, member of the Executive Board of the Northern California 1st Jurisdiction, and Assistant Superintendent of the Jubilee District. Rev. Hicks gained the reputation of being a man who worked wherever needed, and almost never said no when asked to help. Upon the passing of Bishop L. E. Cleaver, Rev. Hicks, a few faithful friends and relatives formed Cleaver Memorial Church of God in Christ. Though he had only a few supporters, he kept going. He was a man with a vision, and he never lost sight of this vision. He tirelessly worked in the church, and he always considered the poor and downtrodden. He gave love, time, and money unconditionally, and never forgot from whence he came. He faithfully and lovingly served as pastor of Cleaver Memorial Church of God in Christ until his passing on November 23, 1991. In addition to his pastorate, he worked as a Longshoreman for over 25 years, and on April 30, 1945, he joined the U.S. Postal Service where he served until his illness overcame him in September of 1991. He was an excellent worker who was highly regarded by everyone. He received countless awards including "Award of Achievement for non use of sick leave", "Perfect Attendance Award", "Outstanding Supervisor", "Service Awards", "Employee of the Year", (several years in a row), and his most prestigious 46 year Service Award. He leaves to mourn his homegoing, his wife, Bertha Hicks of Vallejo, CA; three sons, Dons Ray Hicks of Sacramento, CA, Robert Lee Hicks of Fremont, CA, Elbert Hicks of Jacksonville, FI.; one daughterin-law, Maxine Hicks also of Fremont, CA; two daughters, Renee Hicks of San Francisco, Melissa Y. Hicks of Vallejo, CA; three sisters, Mary Eva Smith, Cloteal Henderson and Velma Hicks all of San Francisco, CA; two brothers, Joseph Hicks and Elbert Hicks both of San Francisco, CA; one brotherin-law, Eugene Smith; one sister-in-law, Fenton Hicks also of San Francisco, CA. He also leaves to mourn his homegoing twelve grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and abundance of nieces, nephews, his beloved church family and Post Office family.

Order of Homegoing Celebration Service

Master of Ceremonies, Superintendent L. C. Patton

Organ Prelude

Processional

Jurisdictional Bishop, Executive Board, Pastors, Elders and Family

Invocation . . . Elder A. Hines

Selection . . . Choirs

Scripture Reading:

Old Testament "Psalms 8" Elder Joe King

Scripture Reading:

New Testament "Revelations 21: 1-7" Superintendent Alfred Henderson

Solo . . . Sister Loren Hicks

"And He Gave Some Pastors" Sister Eula Blackshear

Special Expressions:

Elder Elbert Hicks, Youngest Son Elder Ed Waters, Assistant Pastor

Elder Alonzo Eison, Associate Minister

SPECIAL TRIBUTES:

Trustee Board Brother Howard Gaddy

Auxiliaries Missionary Lucille Hicks

Women's Department Missionary Dorothea Rhodes

Special Representation . . . U.S. Post Office

Expressions (2 minutes please)

Solo "My Living Shall Not Be In Vain" Sister Annette Lawrence

Expressions:

Mother G. E. Smith

Jurisdictional Supervisor Women's Department

Elder Albert Galbraith

Chairman, Executive Board, Northern California 1st

Elder Marshall (Q.C.) Simmons Superintendent J.C. Jenkins

"Going To Lay Down My Burdens" (Favorite Song) Choir and Congregation

Words of Comfort:

Bishop L. B. Johnson

Jurisdictional Bishop

California Northeast Jurisdiction

Acknowledgment of Condolences Sister Marye Taylor

Resolutions:

Cleaver Memorial Sister Fenton Hicks

Jubilee District Elder Samuel Jackson

Executive Board, Northern California 1st Elder Benjamin Bolds, Executive Secretary

Obituary . . . Missionary Wilma White

Solo "When You Hear of My Homegoing" Missionary Sylvia Eison

Eulogy Bishop B. R. Stewart

Parting View

Recessional

Interment

Olivete Memorial Park, Colma, CA

Pallbearers

Dons Hicks

Robert Hicks

Elbert Hicks

Eugene Smith

Gregory Smith

Freddie Jones

Scripture: Matthew 25: 31-36

Little Chapel 1543 Webster 1966 - 1991 (25 yrs)